

PATENT APPLICATION Docket No. 2705-76

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Earl Thomas Carter and Michael T. Shinn

Serial No. 09/432,297

Examiner: Truong, Thanhnga B.

Confirmation No.: 9858

Filed: November 2, 1999

Group Art Unit: 2135

For:

QUERY DATA PACKET PROCESSING AND NETWORK SCANNING METHOD AND

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Responsive to the Office Action dated March 9, 2004, enclosed is a one-month extension fee in the above-identified application. For your information, we are filing a continuation of this case on July 9, 2004.

CURRENT CLAIMS					
For:	Number After Amendment	Previous Number	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	19	19-20*	0	x \$18 =	\$0
Independent Claims	3	3-3**	0	x \$86 =	\$0
Extension of Time – 1 <sup>st</sup>			<u> </u>		\$110
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$110

<sup>\*</sup>greater of twenty (20) or number for which fee has been paid

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response. The extension fee is  $\square$ included and a duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.

PTO Form 2038 authorizing credit card payment for the above-listed fees is enclosed.

Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 13-1703.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: July 9, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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